

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Examiner: KERN, Kevin P. - Art Unit: 1725  
Re: Application of: Arvedi, Giovanni  
Serial No.: 10/501,663  
Filed: July 15, 2004  
For: **PROCESS AND PRODUCTION LINE FOR  
MANUFACTURING ULTRATHIN HOT ROLLED  
STRIPS BASED ON THE THIN SLAB TECHNIQUE**  
Confirmation No. 2342

**AMENDMENT**

VIA EFS-Web

August 28, 2007

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 26, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.